

**AKORN CHARITY**  
**TRUSTEES REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2025**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1176010**

## **Charity Information**

**Akorn is a registered charity in England and Wales.**

**The charity is governed by the constitution document adapted on the 17th of January 2017.**

**Charity Registration: No 1176010**

### **Registered address.:**

C/O New Testament Church Clapton,  
Cnr: Downs Park and Cricket field Road  
Hackney  
London E5 8NS

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**Phone 020 8985 5558**

### **Bankers:**

**CAF Bank Ltd, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ**

## **Trustees Report**

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's constitution, applicable law and the requirements of the statements of Recommended practice.

The board of trustees are its directors for the purpose of company and charity Law. Throughout this report they are referred to as trustees.

The trustees below have served up to year to date of this report.

Mrs. Susan Lewinson (Chairperson)

Ms. Veronica Smith (Treasurer)

Ms. Carol Moore (Secretary)

Rev. Trevor Stevenson (Trustee)

Rev. Paul Thomas (Trustee)

## **Mission Statement**

Akorn, through community engagement, partnership and action will do all it can to bring transformation and build sustainable communities.

Akorn, through community engagement empowering of individuals, and working partnership with the police, local authorities and other voluntary organisations will do all that is possible to achieve our goals and attain greater social cohesion in our community.

## **Charity Objectives**

(1) To advance education and life skills development in accordance with Christian principles by such means as the Management Committee may consider appropriate in London and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world.

(2) the Management Committee may from time to time as they think fit and fulfil such other purposes which are exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales and are connected with the charitable work of the Charity.

(3) To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support in London and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world.

(4) the Management Committee may from time to time develop the capacity and skills of socially disadvantaged groups in our community in such a way that they are better able to identify and help meet their needs and to participate more fully in society.

(5) in particular but not exclusively through raising awareness, promoting, sustaining and increasing individual and collective knowledge, skills and expertise, through the practical development of individual capabilities, competences, skills and understanding through formal training, informal talks and capacity building.

The charity aim is to increase local awareness and build established working relationships with local services within the community.

## **Organisation history**

### **Supported Boys Brigade**

- Engaging local children from 5-14 educational and fun activities, weekly sessions and trips.

### **Uprising Community Club**

• Providing various activities and educational sensing skills as well as a lunch for senior citizens from the community. Annual community street party.

### **Lifezone**

• Community Cancer support group, providing counselling, advice and friendship to people going through the challenge of Cancer.

### **No One Eats Alone Project**

• Providing a Christmas Day event for the needy in our community, incorporating provision of a hot shower, clothes, a three course Christmas dinner and entertainment.

### **Macmillan Afternoon Tea**

- Grand traditional afternoon tea to raise funds for Macmillan cancer support appeal.

### **Manna Meals**

- Has been running for over five years, providing consistent support to people experiencing homelessness and hardship. The service operates every Wednesday from 12:00pm to 3:00pm and supports 30–40 guests each week. It offers freshly prepared meals, take-away foods, alongside access to hot showers and clean clothing, helping to restore dignity, improve wellbeing, and meet immediate needs in a safe, and welcoming environment.

## **Conclusion**

Akorn has continued to move forward with purpose and resilience, building on the learning and adaptations developed during the coronavirus pandemic to strengthen its response to local community needs. We have maintained a strong commitment to serving our community, developing new partnerships and delivering initiatives that address ongoing and emerging challenges.

In recent years, Akorn has actively progressed a range of new projects aimed at making a meaningful and sustainable difference. These include plans for a drop-in centre for people experiencing homelessness, a community café providing counselling, bereavement support, befriending services and a telephone helpline, as well as initiatives to support children in receipt of free school meals. Akorn also continues to support Lifezone, a cancer support group that remains an important source of encouragement and connection.

We operate within an area facing significant social challenges, particularly relating to youth violence, poverty and substance misuse. In response, Akorn is developing targeted support for girls and young women at risk of or impacted by criminal and exploitation, recognising the complex, gender-specific and often hidden nature of this harm.

Encouragingly, Akorn has secured funding to support the development of several of these initiatives. As we look ahead, we remain confident in our mission and committed to working hard to deliver positive, lasting impact for individuals and families across Hackney and surrounding communities.

S. C. Lewinson

**Susan Lewinson**

**Chair of Trustees**

**Akorn Charity**

**ASHDON JAZZ ACADEMY**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

**TO THE TRUSTEES OF ASHDON JAZZ ACADEMY**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 which are set out on pages 1 – 10.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiners statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Michael Rowe FCCA

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Date: 31/1/2026\_

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	Note:	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2025 Total	2024 Total
<b><u>Incoming Resources</u></b>					
Incoming resources from generated funds	2	0	0	0	34,000
Incoming resources from charitable activities	3	0	0	0	120
Other Income	4	84	0	84	44
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>84</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>34,164</b>
<b><u>Resources Expended</u></b>					
Uprising community club	5		500	500	0
Life Zone Counselling	6	0	0	0	443
Reach Project	7	0	0	0	464
Support costs	8	0	570	570	1,096
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>1,070</b>	<b>1,070</b>	<b>2,003</b>
<b>Net expenditure for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>84</b>	<b>-1,070</b>	<b>-986</b>	<b>32,161</b>
<b>Fund balance at 1 April</b>		<b>207</b>	<b>40,810</b>	<b>41,107</b>	<b>8,856</b>
<b>Fund balances at 31 March</b>		<b>291</b>	<b>39,740</b>	<b>40,121</b>	<b>41,017</b>

**AKORN CHARITY****BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 31 MARCH 2025**

	Notes	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors		£0	£0
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>£41,515</u>	<u>£42,621</u>
		<b>£41,515</b>	<b>£42,621</b>
<b>CREDITORS: due within one year</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>£1,484</b>	<b>£1,604</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u><b>£40,031</b></u>	<u><b>£41,017</b></u>
<b>RESERVE FUNDS</b>			
<b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>			
General fund		£291	£207
<b>RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>			
Funding		£39,740	£40,810
		<u><b>£40,031</b></u>	<u><b>£41,017</b></u>

For the year ending 31st March 2025 the charity was entitled to audit exemption

Approved by the Trustees on: 30/1/2026

Signed on their behalf by:

*S. C. Lewinson*

Susan Lewinson

Chair of Trustees

Akorn Charity



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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The accounts are prepared under the historic cost convention.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the statement of recommended practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005 and the provisions of the Charities Act 1993

#### 1.2 Incoming Resources

Incoming resources are recognised in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed and the amounts are certain and measurable.

#### 1.3 Allocation of costs

Direct activity cost are those costs which contribute directly to an activity and are allocated to the relevant activity. Support cost are those cost that are necessary to deliver an activity but in themselves do not deliver an activity, include cost incurred to meet statutory and constitutional requirements.

#### 1.4 Funds

Restricted funds represent income received that is subject to donor restrictions on use.

General funds are available for furthering the cause of the Charity.

### 2 FUNDING

	2025	2024
Hope Beyond Grant	-	-
Benefact Trust	£0	£34,000
	<u>£0</u>	<u>£34,000</u>

### 3 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
Macmillan Events	£0	£0
Life Zone	£0	£120
	<u>£0</u>	<u>£120</u>

### 4 OTHER INCOME

	2025	2024
Donations	£0	£20
Interest	£84	£24
	<u>£84</u>	<u>£20</u>

### 5 Uprising community club

	2025	2024
Events and Activities	£500	£0
Coordinators/Volunteers	£0	£0
Equipment/Training	£0	£0
	<u>£500</u>	<u>£0</u>

### 6 Life Zone Counselling

	2025	2024
Events and Activities	£0	£485
Christmas Dinner	£0	£70
Exousia workshop	£0	£100

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

<b>7 Reach Project</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
Manna Meals	£0	£0
Hope	£0	£269
Church Streaming/Zoom	£0	£195
Prayer Line/telephone	£0	£0
	<u>£0</u>	<u>£464</u>
<b>8 Support costs</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
Telephone	£0	£0
software	£0	£0
Stationary and printing	£0	£0
Professional fees	£0	£600
Insurance	£0	£100
Accounts	£0	£120
Bank charges	£60	£60
Subscriptions	£510	£216
	<u>£570</u>	<u>£1,096</u>
<b>9 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
Trade creditors	£1,484	£1,604
	<u>£1,484</u>	<u>£1,604</u>

## 10 TRUSTEES

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year.